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## 15.1 Overview of General Chemical Examinations

- 15.1.1 General Chemical analyses are those that require chemistry-related examinations of evidentiary material that is not believed to be a controlled substance.
- 15.1.2 General Chemical exams may be conducted on a variety of evidentiary materials which includes, but is not limited to: tear gas/pepper spray; sugar/salt; inks; tapes, adhesives, glues; acids and alkalines; cosmetics; tars, asphalts, oils, greases; crayons and other waxes; nitrous oxide; condom lubricants; and bank dyes.
- 15.1.3 Generally speaking, a new examiner trainee would only be assigned general chemical cases after first completing training and certifying in a Section subdiscipline.
- 15.1.4 It is the supervisor's responsibility to ensure that any individual performing general chemical analyses has the knowledge, skills and abilities to approach the assigned casework in an appropriate manner. Training or guidance will be provided as needed.

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